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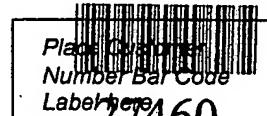
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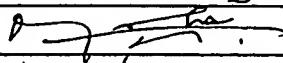


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A METHOD AND TOOL FOR ASSIGNMENT OF ITEM NUMBER BY MAPPING OF CLASSIFICATION AND GENERATION OF A DECISION TREE

(Title of the Invention)

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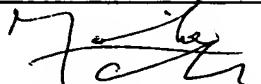
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